

## All-American Musicians Show Their Support



By Spc. Marie Whitney, 122nd MPAD

**(Above) Toby Keith shows his support for the troops stationed in Baghdad. (Below) Over 500 Soldiers, sailors, Marines, and airmen, sit in folding chairs in front of the Camp Victory North Post Exchange waiting for Toby Keith and Ted Nugent to perform. The musicians played songs for the troops for 45 minutes and were awarded certificates for their support.**

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Temperatures of more than 100 degrees Fahrenheit generally don't make optimal conditions for outside activities. But on June 5, over 500 Soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen crowded around a stage in front of the Post Exchange on Camp Victory North. The heat didn't stop the troops from enjoying a performance by two patriotic musicians: Toby Keith and Ted Nugent.

Before the two superstars hit the stage, the 1st Cavalry Division Band showed their versatility by performing music by Jamiroqui, Outkast and Jimi Hendrix. When Keith and Nugent started their approach to the stage, the troops went wild.

Sgt. Christopher DePrater of Company B, 13th Signal Battalion, 1st Cavalry Division, was one of the troops in the crowd excited to see the musicians playing on Camp Victory North.

"I've been listening to Toby Keith for a long time. I've got all of his CDs," he said. "My brother gets to go to his

concerts all the time. [Now] I finally get to see him."

The Baghdad concert set was only one of many stops for the guitar-playing duo. Keith and Nugent had already made stops in Kosovo, Germany and Italy. They said American troops have American support, no matter where they are stationed.

"Everyone back home supports you," Nugent said. "Only the ... French don't support you. You guys are doing a great job over here."

Nugent, an aging rock superstar best known for his late 1970s hit 'Cat Scratch Fever,' opened the 45-minute set with an electric guitar rendition of the National Anthem. Country music icon Keith took over with one of his songs next and the two took turns leading the troops through decades of their hits.

The musicians even added new lyrics to some of their songs to bring the troopers even closer to their music.

Two members of the 1st Cav. Band; one on the drums and one playing bass also sup-

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By Spc. Bryan Kinkade, 1st Cavalry Division PAO





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**"You guys are doing a great job over here," Ted Nugent said to the Soldiers, sailors, Marines, and airmen who showed up to see Nugent and Toby Keith perform.**

## Keith, Nugent Entertain First Team Soldiers

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 ported Keith and Nugent.

At the end of their performance, Keith and Nugent were awarded tokens of appreciation from the 1st Cav. Div. Keith, wearing a First Team Stetson, and Nugent, holding a Soldier's M-16, were given certificates to thank them for their dedication and support to the U.S. troops.

After the concert, the performers signed autographs for the troops.

"It was a great concert," Spc. Michael Holden, from Headquarters Company, 1st Cav. Div., said. "Two funny guys; an all-American country boy and a gun-totin' rocker. [A] great combination."

## ► Cav Pays Respects to Garryowen Trooper



By Spc. Andy Miller, 122nd MPAD

**Soldiers paid their respects to Staff Sgt. Rene Ledesma, of Apache Troop, 1st Battalion, 7th Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, at a memorial ceremony at Camp Ferrin-Huggins on May 18. Ledesma was killed in action May 15 when his Bradley Fighting Vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device in Baghdad. He was born in Pharr, Texas July 16, 1969, and is survived by his wife and two children.**

## Useful Iraqi Words/Phrases

Thank you for your help  
 shu-kran le-musaadatek

### Baghdad, Iraq

#### Monday

High: 112  
 Low: 79



#### Tuesday

High: 113  
 Low: 81



#### Wednesday

High: 108  
 Low: 78



Weather information provided by 1CD Staff Weather Office (SWO)

## Today in History

### June 7

► From [historychannel.com](http://historychannel.com)

1866 Chief Seattle dies near the city named for him  
 1917 Dean Martin born  
 1942 Battle of Midway ends  
 1948 Czechoslovakian president Eduard Benes resigns  
 1965 General Westmoreland requests 44 battalions (35 combat battalions with nine in reserve)

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## Texas Highway Department Wants Slogan Back

► From AP

DALLAS- "Don't Mess with Texas" means just get a lawyer for anyone trying to earn a buck off a slogan intended to promote tidy roadsides.

The popular catchphrase has appeared on dozens of items—everything from t-shirts and bumper stickers to breath mint tins and refrigera-

tor magnets.

Now, the Texas Department of Transportation wants it back.

The department has sent 23 cease-and-desist letters in the past year warning merchandisers against unauthorized use of the federally registered trademark.



TxDOT officials say the department hasn't pursued lawsuits yet, but the Texas attorney general's office is reviewing cases in which merchandisers have refused to comply.

"Don't Mess with Texas"

was created by an Austin advertising firm in 1986 and made its television premiere during the January 1, 1987, Cotton Bowl game.

As the slogan grew more popular, the Transportation Department decided in October 2000 to register it as a trademark and recently stepped up enforcement to protect it.

### Working Together

## 1-12 Soldiers, ICDC Bn. Conduct First Joint Operation

By Sgt. Dan Purcell

122nd MPAD

CAMP WAR EAGLE- In a pre-dawn raid Soldiers of Company B, 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, Task Force 2-5 Cav., and the 306th Iraqi Civil Defense Corps Battalion conducted their first joint cordon and search operation to root out suspected terrorists wanted for attacks on coalition

forces.

On Tuesday, May 25, Bravo 1-12 Cav. provided a cordon around Square Town, located near War Eagle Forward Operating Base (FOB), while the 306th Bn. searched for an inhabitant suspected of shooting mortars and rocket-propelled grenades at the base.

"The objective of this operation was to detain a man who was shooting mortars at this FOB," said Lt. Col. Gary Volesky, battalion commander, 2nd Bn., 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division. "We did the outer cordon with the coalition and the objective was completed by the ICDC under the direction of their company commander."

Capt. Douglas Chapman, Company B, 1-12 Cav. company commander, said the size and scope of the operation was also a first for his company.

"This is the first time we used the companies [together] in a Task Force patrol, which is part of our continuing effort to

put an Iraqi face on our operation here," Chapman said.

"Our mission here is really three fold: Continue to provide security and stability, improve the quality of life for the Iraqi people and train those security elements, like the ICDC, to be able to take over the roll of providing a safe and secure environment," Volesky said. "So, from this perspective, today's operation was a continuation of [ICDC] training and integration into our operations in order to get them out there on their own, doing exactly what we do, but they're running the whole show themselves."

Pfc. Brandon Egli, of Company B, 1-12 Cav., said working with the 306th ICDC Bn. "Jaguars" for the first time was like learning a new job.

"I have worked with other ICDC units before, doing cordon and searches, but the Jaguars are more aggressive and more verbal," Egli said. "We have better communication with their soldiers. Often, the biggest problem between us

is the communication, but this went off real great."

"We are integrating the ICDC into every operation we do because by June 30, they must be fully capable of conducting their own operations. They have some limitations right now; they don't have their own vehicles or communications, so we are working those issues," Volesky said. "So, we really worked today's operation on a number of different levels, and they did great."



Photos by Sgt. Dan Purcell, 122nd MPAD  
**Soldiers of the 306th ICDC Battalion secure the residence of a suspected terrorist wanted for attacks against coalition forces.**



**Capt. Douglas Chapman, Company B commander, 1-12 Cav., talks to local residents during a joint ICDC cordon and search operation.**



# Professional, Polite & Prepared to Kill





## Sturm Gives "Golden Boy" a Tough Fight

► From AP

LAS VEGAS- If Oscar De La Hoya didn't know who Felix Sturm was before their WBO middleweight title bout Saturday night at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, he certainly does now.

It was Sturm that gave "The Golden Boy" perhaps the toughest fight of his career, yet ended the 12-round bout without his title intact, as De La Hoya scored a questionable unanimous decision over the only fighter standing in the way of a September superfight between De La Hoya and Bernard Hopkins, who easily defended his undisputed title earlier with a decision over Robert Allen.

All three judges scored it 115-113 for De La Hoya, who improved to 37-3 with 29 KOs in his middleweight debut. Sturm suffered his first loss, falling to 20-1 with 9 KOs. The Associated Press scored the fight 114-114, and HBO's ring-side analyst had Sturm winning



**Germany's Felix Sturm, left, controlled a good part of the fight with his quick left jab.**

by a two-point margin.

"I know Oscar is a big name here and a great champion," said the 25-year-old Sturm. "But tonight, I think the whole world saw who was the better fighter."

Ringside stats showed Sturm landing 234 of 541 punches to 188 of 792 for De La Hoya.

"It was a very close fight, let's put it that way," said De La Hoya, who will now face Hopkins on Sept. 18 in the same MGM Grand ring.

Looking to test the middleweight waters immediately, De La Hoya came out throwing hooks to the body. Sturm was undeterred, shooting out a stiff jab, and even landing a quick uppercut on the inside.

De La Hoya, looking pudgy at a weight 30 pounds heavier than when he began his pro career after winning a gold medal in the 1992 Olympics, seemed to tire in these middle rounds while Sturm, a 2000 Olympian for Germany, remained fresh.



### Major League Baseball Standings

as of 06/06/04

#### American League

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	35	20	.636	-
Boston	33	23	.589	2.5
Baltimore	25	27	.481	8.5
Toronto	25	32	.439	11
Tampa Bay	21	33	.389	13.5

##### Central Division

Chicago	30	23	.566	-
Minnesota	30	26	.536	1.5
Cleveland	25	29	.463	5.5
Detroit	25	31	.446	6.5
Kansas City	20	34	.370	10.5

##### West Division

Anaheim	33	23	.589	-
Oakland	31	24	.564	1.5
Texas	30	24	.556	2
Seattle	20	34	.370	12

#### National League

##### East Division

Florida	32	25	.561	-
Philadelphia	29	26	.527	2
Atlanta	28	28	.500	3.5
New York	28	28	.500	3.5
Montreal	18	37	.327	13

##### Central Division

Cincinnati	34	22	.607	-
St. Louis	32	24	.571	2
Houston	30	25	.545	3.5
Chicago	29	26	.527	4.5
Milwaukee	27	27	.500	6
Pittsburgh	24	29	.453	8.5

##### West Division

Los Angeles	30	24	.556	-
San Diego	31	25	.554	-
San Francisco	28	28	.500	3.5
Arizona	22	35	.386	9.5
Colorado	21	34	.382	9.5

**Glossary** W: Wins, L: Losses, PCT: Winning Percentage, GB: Games Behind



### NBA

**FINALS**  
(Best of 7 series)  
Game 1

Detroit  
@ Los Angeles



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